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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed June 30, 2004, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-36, 43, and 56-72. Applicants further elect Species 1 (Figs. 1-2), although Applicants note that Figs. 3 and 4 show the device of Figs. 1-2 in folded states. Claims 1-18, 20-36, and 43 are believed to be readable upon the elected species. The election is made without traverse.

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